

Los Angeles Co., Calif. Coroner.  
Report [1940/41.

REPORT OF  
FRANK A. NANCE, CORONER  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
JULY 1, 1940 - JUNE 30, 1941

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October 7, 1941.

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
501 Hall of Records  
Los Angeles, California

Gentlemen:

In submitting herewith a statistical report of the operations of the Coroner's office for the fiscal year 1940-41 I respectfully direct your attention to the fact that during this fiscal period we inquired into the deaths of 6606 persons, which is the largest case load ever experienced by this office, and which was an increase of 324 cases, or 5% more than the work load of the preceding fiscal year.

This case load was handled without increased personnel, at the average net cost per case of only \$13.11, as compared with a unit cost of \$13.88 during the preceding year, and without sacrificing efficiency in our efforts to properly serve the public.

Our community experienced no great disaster or epidemic of disease during this year, therefore, this increase must be attributed to the growth of the population in Los Angeles County. Defense preparations will doubtless continue to add to our normal growth to such an extent that the Coroner's work will be further augmented during the ensuing fiscal year.

Respectfully,

  
CORONER, Los Angeles County

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REPORT OF FRANK A. NANCE  
LOS ANGELES COUNTY CORONER  
FOR FISCAL YEAR 1940-41

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FOR FISCAL YEAR 1940-41

JULY	1940	489	
AUGUST	1940	519	
SEPTEMBER	1940	499	
OCTOBER	1940	552	
NOVEMBER	1940	549	
DECEMBER	1940	682	
JANUARY	1941	610	
FEBRUARY	1941	498	
MARCH	1941	606	
APRIL	1941	598	
MAY	1941	524	
JUNE	1941	<u>480</u>	
		TOTAL	<u>6606</u>
* * * * *			
MALE		4503	
FEMALE		<u>2103</u>	
		TOTAL	<u>6606</u>
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IN CITY OF LOS ANGELES		4078	
IN COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, O/S L.A. CITY		<u>2528</u>	
		TOTAL	<u>6606</u>

CLASSIFICATION OF DEATHS  
HANDLED BY CORONER

ACCIDENTAL DEATHS:		
AIRPLANE	14	
ASPHYXIATION	7	
BURNS	79	
CRUSHING	4	
DROWNING	81	
ELECTRIC RAILWAY	23	
ELECTROCUTION	3	
FALLS	382	
FIREARMS	17	
HEAD INJURY	106	
INDUSTRIAL	113	
INFECTION	38	
MISCELLANEOUS	31	
MOTOR VEHICLE	1074	
POISONING (ALCOHOLISM, 31)	85	
STEAM RAILWAY	16	
STRANGULATION	7	
SUFFOCATION	9	
	TOTAL	2089
HOMICIDES	118	
SUICIDES	728	
ABORTIONS	12	
NATURAL CAUSES	3621	
PREMATURE BIRTHS	8	
STILLBORN	26	
UNKNOWN CAUSES	4	
	TOTAL	4517
	GRAND TOTAL	<u>6606</u>

TRAFFIC FATALITIES

		<u>MOTOR VEHICLE</u>	<u>ELECTRIC RY.</u>	<u>STEAM RY.</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
JULY	1940	88		2	90
AUGUST	1940	76	1		77
SEPTEMBER	1940	75	2	2	79
OCTOBER	1940	90	2	1	93
NOVEMBER	1940	90	3	1	94
DECEMBER	1940	129	1	3	133
JANUARY	1941	105	3	1	109
FEBRUARY	1941	82	4		86
MARCH	1941	77	4	1	82
APRIL	1941	99	2	1	102
MAY	1941	85		2	87
JUNE	1941	78	1	2	81
TOTALS		1074	23	16	1113

IN ABOVE CLASSIFICATION "MOTOR VEHICLE" INCLUDES ALL FATALITIES IN WHICH A MOTOR VEHICLE IS INVOLVED.

"ELECTRIC AND STEAM RAILWAY" INCLUDES ONLY THOSE CASES IN WHICH A PEDESTRIAN OR PASSENGER IS KILLED.

TRAFFIC FATALITIESPEDESTRIANS

JULY	1940	38	
AUGUST	1940	33	
SEPTEMBER	1940	41	
OCTOBER	1940	53	
NOVEMBER	1940	43	
DECEMBER	1940	66	
JANUARY	1941	68	
FEBRUARY	1941	52	
MARCH	1941	49	
APRIL	1941	40	
MAY	1941	41	
JUNE	1941	<u>36</u>	
	TOTAL		<u>560</u>

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MALE	411	
FEMALE	<u>149</u>	
	TOTAL	<u>560</u>

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IN CITY OF LOS ANGELES	351	
IN COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES O/S L.A. CITY	208	
UNKNOWN	<u>1</u>	
	TOTAL	<u>560</u>

TRAFFIC FATALITIESPEDESTRIANAGES

Under 1 Year	1	
1 to 2 Years	2	
2 to 5 Years	22	
5 to 10 Years	12	
10 to 20 Years	13	
20 to 45 Years	121	
45 to 65 Years	186	
65 and Over	<u>203</u>	
	TOTAL	<u>560</u>

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AT INTERSECTION	311	
NOT AT INTERSECTION	248	
UNKNOWN	<u>1</u>	
	TOTAL	<u>560</u>

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A.M. (MIDNIGHT TO NOON)	127	
P.M. (NOON TO MIDNIGHT)	430	
NOON	2	
UNKNOWN TIME	<u>1</u>	
	TOTAL	<u>560</u>

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NATURE

AUTO AND PEDESTRIAN	506	
TRUCK AND PEDESTRIAN	40	
MOTORCYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN	4	
BUS AND PEDESTRIAN	6	
TRACTOR AND PEDESTRIAN	1	
POLICE CAR AND PEDESTRIAN	1	
TRUCK-TRAILER AND PEDESTRIAN	1	
STATION WAGON AND PEDESTRIAN	<u>1</u>	
	TOTAL	<u>560</u>



TRAFFIC FATALITIES  
PEDESTRIAN  
CAUSES

CROSSING STREET NOT AT INTERSECTION	145
CROSSING STREET CARELESSLY	129
PLAYING IN STREET	2
RUNNING IN STREET	21
WALKING IN STREET	11
WORKING IN STREET	2
PLAYING IN DRIVEWAY	2
PEDESTRIAN CONFUSED BY TRAFFIC	3
BACKING	9
INCOMPETENT HANDLING	112
INTOXICATION	1
RECKLESS DRIVING	86
DEFECTIVE EQUIPMENT	3
DEFECTIVE EQUIPMENT - BRAKES	1
WALKED INTO SIDE OF CAR	1
ATTEMPTING TO BOARD A TRUCK	2
FELL IN FRONT OF AUTO	1
FELL UNDER TRACTOR	1
RIGHT-OF-WAY VIOLATED	2
STRUCK AFTER COLLISION	1
UNABLE TO DETERMINE RESPONSIBILITY	19
UNKNOWN CAUSE	<u>6</u>

TOTAL

560

TRAFFIC FATALITIESPEDESTRIANSCAUSES, Continued

## HELD RESPONSIBLE BY CORONER'S JURY:

MALE DRIVERS 159

FEMALE DRIVERS 21

UNKNOWN DRIVERS 39

## EXONERATED BY CORONER'S JURY:

MALE DRIVERS 292

FEMALE DRIVERS 26

## UNABLE TO DETERMINE RESPONSIBILITY:

MALE DRIVERS 14

FEMALE DRIVERS 1

CASES IN WHICH NO INQUEST BEFORE A JURY  
WAS HELD:

MALE DRIVERS 7

FEMALE DRIVERS 1TOTAL 560

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HIT AND RUN CASES 52

H.B.D. CASES, PEDESTRIAN 60

H.B.D. CASES, DRIVER 17

H.B.D. CASES, DRIVER AND PEDESTRIAN 5

TRAFFIC FATALITIESCOLLISION AND NON-COLLISION

JULY	1940	50	
AUGUST	1940	43	
SEPTEMBER	1940	34	
OCTOBER	1940	37	
NOVEMBER	1940	47	
DECEMBER	1940	63	
JANUARY	1941	37	
FEBRUARY	1941	30	
MARCH	1941	28	
APRIL	1941	59	
MAY	1941	44	
JUNE	1941	<u>42</u>	
		TOTAL	<u>514</u>
	* * * * *		
MALE		390	
FEMALE		<u>124</u>	
		TOTAL	<u>514</u>
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IN CITY OF LOS ANGELES		193	
IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY O/S LOS ANGELES CITY		301	
O/S LOS ANGELES COUNTY, DEATH IN L.A. CITY		<u>20</u>	
		TOTAL	<u>514</u>

TRAFFIC FATALITIES  
COLLISION AND NON-COLLISION

AGES

Less than 1 Year	2
1 to 2 Years	2
2 to 5 Years	4
5 to 10 Years	14
10 to 20 Years	82
20 to 45 Years	237
45 to 65 Years	122
65 and over	<u>51</u>

TOTAL

514

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AT INTERSECTION	264
NOT AT INTERSECTION	246
UNKNOWN	<u>4</u>

TOTAL

514

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A.M. (MIDNIGHT TO NOON)	214
P.M. (NOON TO MIDNIGHT)	294
UNKNOWN TIME	<u>6</u>

TOTAL

514



TRAFFIC FATALITIES  
COLLISION AND NON-COLLISION  
NATURE

AUTO AND AUTO	178
AUTO AND TRUCK	60
AUTO AND MOTORCYCLE	21
AUTO AND BICYCLE	21
AUTO AND PARKED AUTO	2
AUTO AND ELECTRIC RAILWAY	38
AUTO AND STEAM RAILWAY	15
AUTO AND BRIDGE	2
AUTO AND BUILDING	3
AUTO AND BUS	7
AUTO AND CONCRETE PIPE	1
AUTO AND CURB	3
AUTO AND EMBANKMENT	2
AUTO AND FIRE HYDRANT	1
AUTO AND GASOLINE PUMPS	1
AUTO AND HOUSE	1
AUTO AND MOTOR GLIDER	3
AUTO AND MOTOR SCOOTER	2
AUTO AND POLE	13
AUTO AND RIDING HORSE	2
AUTO AND STAGE COACH	1
AUTO AND TANK TRAILER	1
AUTO AND TREE	24

TRAFFIC FATALITIESCOLLISION AND NON-COLLISIONNATURE, Continued

AUTO, TRUCK AND MOTORCYCLE	1
AUTO AND WALL	1
TRUCK AND TRUCK	9
TRUCK AND BICYCLE	5
TRUCK AND EMBANKMENT	1
TRUCK AND BUS	4
TRUCK AND ELECTRIC RAILWAY	6
TRUCK AND STEAM RAILWAY	2
TRUCK AND MOTORCYCLE	7
TRUCK AND MOTOR COACH	1
TRUCK AND MOTOR SCOOTER	1
TRUCK AND POLE	3
TRUCK AND TALL	1
TAXI AND MOTORCYCLE	1
MOTORCYCLE AND CURB	1
MOTORCYCLE AND ELECTRIC RAILWAY	1
MOTORCYCLE AND MOTORCYCLE	1
NO N-COLLISION:	
AUTO OVERTURNED	39
TRUCK OVERTURNED	5
MOTORCYCLE OVERTURNED	3
FALL FROM VEHICLE	18
WHETHER FELL OR JUMPED FROM VEHICLE UNDETER.	<u>1</u>

TOTAL

514

TRAFFIC FATALITIES  
COLLISION AND NON-COLLISION  
CAUSES

COLLISION:	
INCOMPETENT HANDLING	125
INTOXICATION	1
RECKLESS DRIVING	59
DEFECTIVE EQUIPMENT	2
DRIVING ON WRONG SIDE OF STREET	6
RIGHT-OF-WAY VIOLATED	125
SKIDDING	5
DRIVER ASLEEP	5
TIRE BLEW OUT	1
IMPROPERLY PARKED VEHICLE	1
MOTORISTS' NEGLIGENCE AT RAILWAY CROSSING	45
LOST CONTROL	27
THROWN FROM HORSE WHEN STRUCK BY AUTO	1
TO AVOID PEDESTRIAN	1
EXCEEDING SPEED LIMIT	8
REAR END COLLISION, INTOXICATION	1
BOTH DRIVERS NEGLIGENT	1
UNABLE TO DETERMINE RESPONSIBILITY	15
WHETHER NATURAL OR ACCIDENTAL DEATH UNDETER.	1
UNKNOWN CAUSE	19

TRAFFIC FATALITIESCOLLISION AND NON-COLLISIONCAUSES, Continued

## NON-COLLISION:

VEHICLE OVERTURNED, LOST CONTROL	21
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" " BLINDED BY HEADLIGHTS	1
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" " AVOIDING COLLISION	3
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" " RECKLESS DRIVING, H.B.D.	1
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" " RECKLESS DRIVING	8
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" " SKIDDING	2
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" " BRAKES FAILED	2
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" " DRIVER ASLEEP	2
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" " INCOMPETENT HANDLING	4
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" " UNABLE TO DETERMINE CAUSE	2
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## NON-COLLISION:

FALL FROM VEHICLE, IMPROPER RIDING	2
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" " " ACCIDENTALLY OPENED CAR DOOR	5
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" " " WHEN HIT DIP IN ROAD	2
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" " " ATTEMPTING TO ALIGHT FROM MOVING AUTO	2
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" " " TRUCK RAN OUT OF CONTROL	1
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" " " INCOMPETENT HANDLING	1
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" " " SUDDEN STOP TO AVOID COLL.	1
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" " " HITCH-HIKER	1
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" " " INTOXICATION	1
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" " " UNKNOWN CAUSE	1
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WHETHER JUMPED OR FELL FROM AUTO UNKNOWN	1
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JUMPED FROM AND RUN OVER BY TRACTOR	1
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TOTAL

514



TRAFFIC FATALITIES  
COLLISION AND NON-COLLISION

HELD RESPONSIBLE BY CORONER'S JURY:	
MALE DRIVERS	194
FEMALE DRIVERS	17
BOTH DRIVERS	1
UNKNOWN DRIVERS	6
TRAIN CREW	4
EXONERATED BY CORONER'S JURY:	
MALE DRIVERS	129
FEMALE DRIVERS	12
TRAIN CREW	46
CASES IN WHICH JURY COULD NOT DETERMINE RESPONSIBILITY	28
WHETHER NATURAL OR ACCIDENTAL DEATH UNDETER- MINED BY JURY	1
CASES IN WHICH CORONER'S JURY HELD NO ONE RESPONSIBLE:	
MALE DRIVERS	2
CASES IN WHICH NO INQUEST BEFORE A JURY WAS HELD:	
MALE DRIVERS	70
FEMALE DRIVERS	<u>4</u>

TOTAL

514

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HIT AND RUN CASES	10
H.B.D. CASES	46

TRAFFIC FATALITIESELECTRIC RAILWAY

JULY	1940	0	
AUGUST	1940	1	
SEPTEMBER	1940	2	
OCTOBER	1940	2	
NOVEMBER	1940	3	
DECEMBER	1940	1	
JANUARY	1941	3	
FEBRUARY	1941	4	
MARCH	1941	4	
APRIL	1941	2	
MAY	1941	0	
JUNE	1941	<u>1</u>	
	TOTAL		<u>23</u>

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MALE	14	
FEMALE	<u>9</u>	
	TOTAL	<u>23</u>

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CITY OF LOS ANGELES	17	
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES O/S LOS ANGELES CITY	<u>6</u>	
	TOTAL	<u>23</u>

TRAFFIC FATALITIESELECTRIC RAILWAYAGES

10	to	20	Years	2
20	to	45	Years	2
45	to	65	Years	8
65	and	Over		<u>11</u>

TOTAL

23

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NATURE

ELECTRIC RAILWAY AND PEDESTRIAN	20
ELECTRIC RAILWAY AND PASSENGER	<u>3</u>

TOTAL

23

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CAUSES

CROSSING RAILWAY RIGHT-OF-WAY CARELESSLY	13
WALKING ON RAILWAY RIGHT-OF-WAY	5
ATTEMPTING TO BOARD MOVING STREET CAR	1
FALL FROM MOVING STREET CAR	1
INCOMPETENT HANDLING BY MOTORMAN	<u>3</u>

TOTAL

23

TRAFFIC FATALITIESSTEAM RAILWAY

JULY	1940	2
AUGUST	1940	0
SEPTEMBER	1940	2
OCTOBER	1940	1
NOVEMBER	1940	1
DECEMBER	1940	3
JANUARY	1941	1
FEBRUARY	1941	0
MARCH	1941	1
APRIL	1941	1
MAY	1941	2
JUNE	1941	<u>2</u>

TOTAL

16

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MALE 15

FEMALE 1

TOTAL

16

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IN CITY OF LOS ANGELES 6

IN COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES O/S L.A. CITY 10

TOTAL

16

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AGES

10	to	20	Years	1
20	to	45	Years	6
45	to	65	Years	7
65	and	Over		<u>2</u>

TOTAL

16



TRAFFIC FATALITIESSTEAM RAILWAYNATURE

STEAM RAILWAY AND PEDESTRIAN	15	
STEAM RAILWAY AND PASSENGER	<u>1</u>	
TOTAL		<u>16</u>

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CAUSES

WALKING ON RAILWAY RIGHT-OF-WAY	7	
WALKING ON RAILWAY RIGHT-OF-WAY AND H.B.D.	1	
CROSSING RAILWAY RIGHT-OF-WAY CARELESSLY	1	
ATTEMPTING TO BOARD FREIGHT TRAIN	2	
ATTEMPTING TO ALIGHT FROM TRAIN	1	
WHETHER ACCIDENTAL OR SUICIDAL UNDETERMINED	2	
UNKNOWN CAUSES	<u>2</u>	
TOTAL		<u>16</u>

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	<u>MALE</u>	<u>FEMALE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
MOTOR VEHICLE	801	273	1074
ELECTRIC RAILWAY	14	9	23
STEAM RAILWAY	<u>15</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>16</u>
GRAND TOTAL	830	283	1113

INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENTS

JULY	1940	11	
AUGUST	1940	8	
SEPTEMBER	1940	7	
OCTOBER	1940	16	
NOVEMBER	1940	8	
DECEMBER	1940	7	
JANUARY	1941	6	
FEBRUARY	1941	6	
MARCH	1941	8	
APRIL	1941	8	
MAY	1941	19	
JUNE	1941	9	
	TOTAL		<u>113</u>

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MALE	112	
FEMALE	1	
	TOTAL	<u>113</u>

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IN CITY OF LOS ANGELES	48	
IN COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES O/S L.A. CITY	58	
O/S L.A. COUNTY, DEATH IN L.A. COUNTY	5	
UNKNOWN LOCATION	2	
	TOTAL	<u>113</u>

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AGES

10	to	20	Years	1	
20	to	45	Years	57	
45	to	65	Years	46	
65	and	Over		9	
			TOTAL		<u>113</u>

INDUSTRIAL FATALITIESNATURE

ANIMAL INJURY	1
BODILY INJURY	14
BROKEN BACK	1
BURNS	7
CRUSHING	13
DROWNING	2
ELECTRIC SHOCK	1
ELECTROCUTION	9
EXPLOSION	1
FALLS	19
HEAD INJURY	30
INFECTION	2
INJURED FINGER	1
PAINT POISONING	1
POISONING	4
SHOCK	2
STRAINED BACK	1
STRANGULATION	1
SUFFOCATION	3

TOTAL

113

INDUSTRIAL FATALITIESCAUSESANIMAL INJURY:  
GORED BY BULL

1

BODILY INJURY:

CABLE BROKE STRIKING VICTIM ON SIDE

1

CAUGHT UNDER EARTH CAVE-IN

1

LIFTING TIRE ON PICK-UP WAGON

1

FOOT CAUGHT IN COIL OF SLACK CATLINE

1

STRUCK IN ABDOMEN BY PLUNGER ON DERRICK

1

STRUCK BY BOARD WHILE USING POWER SAW

1

CAUGHT IN WINCH

1

CAUGHT IN BLAST OF CEMENT

1

FELL FROM TOWER

1

STRUCK WHEN TRYING TO UNFASTEN PILE CHAIN

1

DUE TO FALL FROM FREIGHT CAR

1

SCAFFOLD FELL WHILE BEING MOVED

1

FELL FROM SCAFFOLD, LOST BALANCE

1

FELL FROM CRANE

1

TOTAL

14

BROKEN BACK:

BACK BROKEN WHILE COUPLING CARS

1

BURNS:

DUE TO AIRPLANE CRASH

1

CLOTHING IGNITED FROM EXPLODING FIREWORKS

1

DUE TO EXPLOSION AT OIL REFINERY

2

DUE TO CRACKING CHAMBER EXPLODING WHILE WELDING

1

COVERED WITH BURNING DIRT

1

CLOTHING IGNITED FROM BURNING GASOLINE

1

TOTAL

7



INDUSTRIAL FATALITIESCAUSES, Continued

CRUSHING:		
STRUCK BY CLUTCH LEVER WHICH BROKE	1	
FELL BETWEEN FREIGHT CARS	1	
DUE TO EARTH CAVE-IN WHILE EXCAVATING	1	
CAUGHT BETWEEN BUMPERS OF TWO TRUCKS	1	
LOAD OF SHEET IRON SLID FROM DOLLY	1	
WHILE WORKING IN ROCK QUARRY	1	
STRUCK BY RAIL WHILE GRINDING	1	
FELL DOWN ELEVATOR SHAFT	1	
FELL FROM PLATFORM	1	
RUN OVER BY RAILWAY	1	
CAUGHT UNDER FALLING CONCRETE	1	
STRUCK BY FALLING MOVING JACK	1	
CRUSHED IN FALL OF ROCK SHOWER AT QUARRY	1	
TOTAL	<u>1</u>	13
DROWNING:		
BOAT CAPSIZED BY TURNING PROPELLOR OF OTHER BOAT	1	
WHILE CLEANING SWIMMING POOL	1	
TOTAL	<u>1</u>	2
ELECTRIC SHOCK:		
UNKNOWN CAUSE		1
ELECTROCUTION:		
CAME IN CONTACT WITH HIGH VOLTAGE LINES	2	
CAME IN CONTACT WITH LIVE WIRE	4	
DUE TO SHORT OF X-RAY MACHINE OPERATED BY DECEASED	1	
WHILE WORKING ON BUFFING MACHINE	1	
FAULTY ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT	1	
TOTAL	<u>1</u>	9
EXPLOSION:		
GAS ACCUMULATED IN GAS CHAMBER AT OIL REFINERY	1	

INDUSTRIAL FATALITIESCAUSES, Continued

## FALLS:

FALL FROM LADDER DUE TO DEFECTIVE EQUIPMENT	1
FALL FROM SCAFFOLD WHICH BROKE	1
ACCIDENTALLY STEPPED OFF SCAFFOLD CAUSING FALL	2
DUE TO ELECTRIC SHOCK	1
STRAP BROKE WHILE WASHING WINDOWS	1
THROWN FROM A HORSE	1
DUE TO FALL FROM TREE	1
FELL ON TO BEAM AS GUARDRAIL GAVE WAY	1
FELL FROM DERRICK	1
FELL FROM LADDER	1
FELL FROM LADDER WHILE WASHING WINDOWS	1
LOST FOOTING AND FELL	2
SLIPPED AND FELL INTO 12 FOOT HOLE	1
FELL FROM SCAFFOLD, UNKNOWN CAUSE	1
" " " LOST BALANCE	1
FALL FROM TRUCK WHILE TURNING CORNER	1
FALL ON IRON RAIL	1

TOTAL

1

19

## HEAD INJURY:

STRUCK ON HEAD BY ROSS LUMBER CARRIER	1
STRUCK ON HEAD BY FALLING SCAFFOLD	1
HIT ON HEAD BY DEBRIS FROM LANDSLIDE	1
FELL FROM CROSSBEAM TO PAVEMENT	1
FELL WHILE INSTALLING LIGHTS ON POLE	1
HIT ON HEAD BY FALLING ROCK	2

INDUSTRIAL FATALITIESCAUSES. Continued

HEAD INJURY, Continued:	
FELL FROM SCAFFOLD	2
COLUMN BRACE BROKE STRIKING VICTIM ON HEAD	1
FELL FROM CONTROL BOOTH	1
STRUCK HEAD ON LIGHT POLE	1
FELL FROM BUILDING	2
STRUCK BY COUNTERWEIGHTS ON OIL RIG	1
FALL, WHILE WASHING WINDOWS	1
STRUCK BY FALLING BUCKET	1
STRUCK BY OIL RIG "FINGER"	1
STRUCK BY DROP HAMMER	1
FELL FROM LADDER	1
STRUCK BY TIMBER BRACE	1
CAUGHT UNDER FALLING DIRT SHOVEL	1
STRUCK BY FALLING BOOM	1
STRUCK BY FALLING SACK OF PARAFFIN	1
WHILE FIGHTING FIRE	1
STRUCK BY PLANK KNOCKED FROM DERRICK	1
FELL IN WATER TANK	1
STRUCK BY PIECE OF BROKEN GRINDSTONE	1
STRUCK BY BAR ON ELEVATOR	1
STRUCK ON HEAD BY FALLING PULLEY	<u>1</u>

TOTAL

30

INDUSTRIAL FATALITIESCAUSES, Continued

## INFECTION:

CUT THUMB WITH LATHING HATCHET, TETANUS DEVELOPED	1	
RAN SLIVER INTO FINGER, SEPTICEMIA DEVELOPED	<u>1</u>	
TOTAL		2

## INJURED FINGER:

INJURED ON SEWING MACHINE, INFECTION SET IN		1
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## PAINT POISONING:

OCCUPATIONAL, WHILE PAINTING, LEAD POISONING		1
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## POISONING:

INHALATION OF CYANIDE FUMES, WHILE HANDLING SAUCE	1	
INHALED FUMES FROM ACETYLENE TORCH, PNEUMONIA	1	
INHALATION OF FUMES FROM SMELTER	1	
LEAD POISONING, UNKNOWN CAUSE	<u>1</u>	
TOTAL		4

## SHOCK:

FOLLOWING INJURY AND HEMORRHAGE FROM FINGER	1	
DUE TO FALL	<u>1</u>	
TOTAL		2

## STRAINED BACK:

WHILE LIFTING SECTION OF CEMENT VAULT		1
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## STRANGULATION:

CAUGHT BETWEEN TREE AND SEAT OF TRACTOR		1
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## SUFFOCATION:

CAVE-IN OF TRENCH ON SEWER EXCAVATION	1	
FELL INTO TANK OF PULP SOLUTION	1	
FELL BETWEEN MATTRESSES	<u>1</u>	

TOTAL		3
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GRAND TOTAL

113

MISCELLANEOUS ACCIDENTAL FATALITIES

JULY	1940	58
AUGUST	1940	66
SEPTEMBER	1940	73
OCTOBER	1940	56
NOVEMBER	1940	69
DECEMBER	1940	73
JANUARY	1941	77
FEBRUARY	1941	65
MARCH	1941	88
APRIL	1941	76
MAY	1941	79
JUNE	1941	<u>69</u>

TOTAL

849

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MALE	477
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FEMALE	<u>372</u>
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TOTAL

849

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IN CITY OF LOS ANGELES	449
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IN COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES O/S L.A. CITY	355
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O/S LOS ANGELES COUNTY, DEATH IN L.A. COUNTY	19
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UNKNOWN LOCATION	<u>26</u>
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TOTAL

849

MISCELLANEOUS ACCIDENTAL FATALITIESAGES

Less than 1 Year	14
1 to 2 Years	17
2 to 5 Years	24
5 to 10 Years	22
10 to 20 Years	44
20 to 45 Years	164
45 to 65 Years	153
65 and Over	<u>411</u>

TOTAL

849

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NATURE

ASPHYXIATION	7
BURNS	79
CRUSHING	4
DROWNING	81
ELECTROCUTION	3
FALLS	382
FIREARMS	17
HEAD INJURY	106
INFECTION	38
MISCELLANEOUS	31
POISONING (ALCOHOLISM 31)	85
STRANGULATION	7
SUFFOCATION	<u>2</u>

TOTAL

849



MISCELLANEOUS ACCIDENTAL FATALITIESCAUSES

## ASPHYXIATION:

GAS HEATER BURNING IN CLOSED ROOM	5
FUMES FROM FISHING BOAT EXHAUST, AT SEA	1
INHALATION OF SMOKE	<u>1</u>

TOTAL

7

## BURNS:

CONFLAGRATION, TRAPPED IN BURNING BUILDING	18
CLOTHING IGNITED, CHILDREN PLAYING WITH MATCHES	1
"        "        CLEANING SOLVENT	4
"        "        CLEANING BRICKS WITH GASOLINE	1
"        "        FROM GAS STOVE	12
"        "        FROM CIGARETTE	2
"        "        BY CANDLE	1
"        "        BY INCINERATOR	3
CLOTHING SATURATED WITH GAS IGNITED FROM LIGHTED CIGARETTE	1
BEDDING IGNITED, BY LIGHTED CIGARETTE	3
TRAPPED IN BURNING AUTO	2
DUE TO COAL OIL IGNITING FROM HOT TAR	1
BECAUSE OF APPLICATION OF LINIMENT	1
LEG BURNS DUE TO ELECTRICAL TREATMENTS	1
LIGHTED MATCH IN GAS-FILLED ROOM	4
ORCHARD HEATER BACKFIRED	1
STEAM TREATMENT APPARATUS OVERTURNED	1
SCALDS, CHILD FELL INTO TUB OF HOT WATER	4
SCALDS, HOT MILK OVER BODY	1

MISCELLANEOUS ACCIDENTAL FATALITIESCAUSES, Continued

HOT LIQUID, UPSET POT OF COFFEE ON SELF	1
MATCHES, LIGHTED MATCH IGNITED WITH GASOLINE-SOAKED OVERALLS	1
STOVE, HOSE DISCONNECTED FROM JET ON STOVE, CATCHING FIRE	1
AUTO BURNED, ACCIDENTAL OR SUICIDAL UNDETERMINED	1
WHETHER ACCIDENTAL OR SUICIDAL UNDETERMINED	2
BURNS (EXPLOSIONS):	
GAS EXPLOSION DUE TO ELECTRICAL SHORT	1
EXPLOSION OF GAS HEATER	1
EXPLOSION, DUE TO EXPLOSION OF GAS	1
"        GAS EXPLODED WHILE PRIMING CAR	1
"        LIGHTED MATCH IN GAS-FILLED ROOM	2
"        WHILE CLEANING HEARTH WITH GASOLINE	1
"        DUE TO LEAK IN GAS HOSE	1
"        KEROSENE LAMP EXPLODED	1
"        FLASH FIRE IN OIL REFINERY	1
EXPLOSION OF DYNAMITE	<u>1</u>

TOTAL

79

## CRUSHING:

STRUCK BY REFRIGERATOR WHICH FELL FROM TRUCK	1
STRUCK BY FALLING BALES WHILE RIDING IN FREIGHT CAR	1
SLIPPED ON EDGE OF BOAT AND LOST FOOTING	1
GARAGE DOOR FELL ON DECEASED	<u>1</u>

TOTAL

4

MISCELLANEOUS ACCIDENTAL FATALITIESCAUSES, Continued

DROWNING:	
CHILD FELL INTO FISH POND WHILE PLAYING	3
CHILD FELL INTO CESSPOOL	1
CHILD FELL INTO GRAVEL PIT	1
CHILD FELL INTO CLEANOUT BOX	1
FELL FROM RAFT WHILE PLAYING	2
FELL INTO SLOUGH WHILE PLAYING	1
FELL INTO SWIMMING POOL	4
FELL INTO TUB OF WATER	1
FELL FROM BOAT	3
FELL INTO STREAM	1
FELL INTO WATER WHILE BOARDING BOAT	1
FELL FROM BOAT WHILE CLEARING WEEDS FROM LAKE	1
FELL INTO POND WHILE PLAYING	2
FELL INTO DITCH	1
FELL INTO LAKE DUE TO FAINTING	1
FELL INTO BATH TUB, ILL HEALTH	1
FELL OFF PIER WHILE FISHING	1
FELL INTO GUTTER OF HIGH RUNNING WATER	1
WHILE PLAYING IN SWIMMING POOL	1
DUE TO EXHAUSTION WHILE SWIMMING	7
LOST BALANCE AND FELL INTO DAM	1

MISCELLANEOUS ACCIDENTAL FATALITIESCAUSES, Continued

DROWNING, Continued:	
CAUGHT IN RIP TIDE	1
BOAT CAPSIZED	4
UNABLE TO SWIM	6
WHILE PLAYING ON OR NEAR FLOAT	1
WASHED OFF BREAKWATER	1
DROWNED IN BATHTUB DURING EPILEPTIC SEIZURE	1
STEPPED IN HOLE WHILE WADING	1
DUE TO FISHING BARGE BEING RAMMED BY FREIGHTER	6
WHILE SWIMMING IN LAKE	1
LIFEGUARD STATED VICTIM APPARENTLY H.B.D.	1
WHILE WADING IN OCEAN	1
CONVULSIONS WHILE IN BATHTUB	1
EITHER JUMPED INTO OR PUSHED INTO WATER BY OTHER BOY	1
ATTEMPTED TO RESCUE WOMAN FROM STORMDRAIN	1
ROW BOAT SWEEP OVER DAM	1
THROWN FROM HORSE INTO WATER	1
WHILE ATTEMPTING TO RESCUE ANOTHER	1
WHETHER ACCIDENTAL OR SUICIDAL UNDETERMINED	12
UNKNOWN CAUSE	<u>2</u>

TOTAL

81

MISCELLANEOUS ACCIDENTAL FATALITIESCAUSES, Continued

ELECTROCUTION:	
CAME IN CONTACT WITH LIVE WIRE	3
FALLS:	
FROM BED, OLD AGE	6
"    "    ILL HEALTH	6
"    "    WHILE HAVING NIGHTMARE	1
"    "    BABY	1
FROM BUILDING, WHILE PLAYING	1
FROM BENCH, OLD AGE	1
FROM CHAIR, OLD AGE	2
"    "    ILL HEALTH	1
FROM LADDER, OLD AGE	2
"    "    LADDER SLIPPED	2
"    "    SLIPPED OFF LADDER WHILE HANGING SCREENS	1
FROM LADDER, WHILE TRIMMING TREE	1
"    "    WHILE PAINTING IN OWN HOUSE	1
FROM PLATFORM, OLD AGE	1
FROM PORCH, OLD AGE	1
"    "    UNKNOWN CAUSE	1
FROM ROLLER COASTER, LOST BALANCE	1

MISCELLANEOUS ACCIDENTAL FATALITIESCAUSES, Continued

## FALLS, Continued:

FROM STOOL, OLD AGE	1
FROM WINDOW, WINDOW MISTAKEN FOR DOOR	1
TO FLOOR, OLD AGE	202
" " ILL HEALTH	20
" " INTOXICATION	5
" " PUSHED BY ANOTHER PATIENT	1
" " SLIPPED ON RUG	2
" " SLIPPED IN BATHROOM	1
" " " " BATHTUB	1
" " " " KITCHEN	1
" " " WHILE CARRYING TRAY OF DISHES	1
" " TRIPPED OVER CHAIR	2
" " " " OBJECT	3
" " " " TELEPHONE CORD	1
" " KNOCKED DOWN BY DOG AT HOME	1
" " DRESS CAUGHT IN DOOR-STOP	1
" " WHILE DANCING	1
" " BLINDNESS	1
" " CRIPPLED CONDITION	1
" " WHILE BEING SEATED	1
" " DUE TO DIZZY SPELL	1



MISCELLANEOUS ACCIDENTAL FATALITIESCAUSES, Continued

FALLS, Continued:	
TO FLOOR, DURING FAINTING SPELL	2
"    "    DURING EPILEPTIC FIT	1
TO STREET, OLD AGE	21
"    "    ILL HEALTH	1
"    "    ILL HEALTH AND OLD AGE	1
"    "    INTOXICATION	1
"    "    LAMENESS	1
"    "    EPILEPTIC FIT	1
"    "    SLIPPED ON PIECE OF PASTRY	1
"    "    AFTER ALIGHTING FROM AUTO	1
"    "    AVOIDING DOG	1
"    "    KNOCKED DOWN BY CHILDREN PLAYING	1
DOWNSTAIRS, OLD AGE	26
"    ILL HEALTH	2
"    INTOXICATION	2
"    BLINDNESS	3
"    SLIPPED ON STAIRS	2
"    TRIPPED OVER OBJECT	3
"    TRIPPED ON LANDING	1
TO GROUND, OLD AGE	5
"    "    ILL HEALTH	2
"    "    STEPPED ON PEBBLE	1
"    "    WHILE PLAYING TOUCH FOOTBALL	1

MISCELLANEOUS ACCIDENTAL FATALITIESCAUSES, Continued

## FALLS, Continued:

TO PORCH, ILL HEALTH	1	
" " LOST HOLD AND FELL	1	
TO SIDEWALK, OLD AGE	1	
DOWN EMBANKMENT, TRIPPED OVER OBJECT	1	
IN YARD, OLD AGE	11	
" " TRIPPED OVER BOARD	1	
" " UNKNOWN CAUSE	1	
IN BATHTUB, OLD AGE	2	
AGAINST BATHTUB, OLD AGE	1	
SLIPPED, ON ROCKS	1	
SLIPPED, WHILE INTOXICATED	<u>1</u>	
TOTAL		382

## FIREARMS:

GUN ACCIDENTALLY DISCHARGED	14	
PASSING PEDESTRIAN ACCIDENTALLY SHOT BY POLICEMAN WHILE MAKING ARREST	1	
SHOT BY UNKNOWN PERSON WHILE HUNTING	1	
WHETHER ACCIDENTAL OR SUICIDAL UNDETERMINED	<u>1</u>	
TOTAL		17

## HEAD INJURY:

PROBABLY FELL TO PAVEMENT WHILE INTOXICATED	15	
FELL TO SIDEWALK, H.B.D.	1	
FELL TO FLOOR	11	
FELL TO STREET	4	
FELL DURING SCUFFLE	2	

MISCELLANEOUS ACCIDENTAL FATALITIESCAUSES, Continued

HEAD INJURY, Continued:	
FALL AGAINST HEATER	1
FALL WHILE HIKING	1
FELL STRIKING HEAD ON TABLE	1
FALL FROM BED	1
FALL FROM HORSE	2
FALL FROM PORCH	1
FALL DOWN MOUNTAIN SIDE	1
FELL IN ROCK QUARRY	1
FELL IN SHOWER BATH	1
FELL DURING EPILEPTIC FIT	2
FELL THROUGH SKYLIGHT	1
FELL FROM WINDOW WHILE ASLEEP	1
FELL OVER CLIFF	2
FELL FROM LADDER	4
FELL DOWNSTAIRS	5
FELL DOWN ELEVATOR SHAFT	1
FALL FROM BED WHILE INTOXICATED	1
FELL WHILE ROLLER SKATING	1
FELL IN BATHROOM	1
FELL DURING APOPLECTIC STROKE	1
FELL FROM WINDOW	2
FELL FROM BUILDING	1
FELL DOWN LIGHTWELL	1
FALL FROM ROLLER COASTER	2

MISCELLANEOUS ACCIDENTAL FATALITIESCAUSES, Continued

## HEAD INJURY, Continued:

FELL IN BATHTUB	1
FELL, STRUCK HEAD IN PLUNGE	1
FELL, HIT HEAD WHILE PLAYING WITH CHILDREN	1
BABY FELL FROM ARMS OF CHILD	1
DUE TO FALL FROM HIGH CHAIR	1
DUE TO FRONT OF BUILDING COLLAPSING	1
WINDOW FELL ON HEAD	1
STRUCK BY BASEBALL WHILE PLAYING	1
STRUCK BY GOLF BALL	1
TRIPPED OVER NEWSPAPER RACK	1
INTOXICATION, WHETHER ACCIDENTAL OR HOMICIDAL UNDETERMINED	1
WHETHER ACCIDENTAL, SUICIDAL OR HOMICIDAL UNDETERMINED	6
WHETHER ACCIDENTAL OR HOMICIDAL UNDETERMINED	10
WHETHER ACCIDENTAL OR SUICIDAL UNDETERMINED	2
UNKNOWN CAUSE	<u>8</u>

TOTAL

106

## INFECTION:

SCRATCHED PIMPLE ON FACE, CELLULITIS DEVELOPED	3
INJURED LIMB, CELLULITIS DEVELOPED	3
CUT CORN, GANGRENE SET UP	1
CUT HAND, INFECTION DEVELOPED	1
BROKE ARM, OSTEOMYELITIS DEVELOPED	1

MISCELLANEOUS ACCIDENTAL FATALITIESCAUSES, Continued

INFECTION, Continued:		
DYED HAIR, OSTEOMYELITIS DEVELOPED		1
INCOMPLETE ABORTION, PERITONITIS DEVELOPED		2
CHILD SWALLOWED SAFETY PIN, PERITONITIS DEVELOPED		1
DUE TO FALL, PERITONITIS DEVELOPED		2
FALL FROM BED, PERITONITIS DEVELOPED		1
INJURED IN TOBOGGAN ACCIDENT, PERITONITIS		1
SWALLOWED RADIUM DURING TREATMENT, "		1
CUT FOOT, SEPTIC BRONCHOPNEUMONIA DEVELOPED		1
INJURED KNEE, SEPTICEMIA DEVELOPED		1
FRACTURED KNEE, " "		1
DUE TO FALL, " "		1
INJURED HAND, " "		1
SCRATCHED HAND, " "		1
INJURED FOOT, " "		1
INJURED FINGER, " "		1
PUSHED OFF HAY RACK, STAPHYLOCOCCIC DEVELOPED		1
FELL DOWN STAIRS, TETANUS DEVELOPED		1
AFTER HERNIA OPERATION, " "		1
RAN SLIVER IN HAND, " "		1
RAN SPLINTER IN FINGER, " "		1
BLISTER ON FOOT, " "		1
BRUISED FINGER, " "		1
ULCERATED TOOTH, " "		1
FOLLOWING TOOTH EXTRACTION		2

MISCELLANEOUS ACCIDENTAL FATALITIESCAUSES, Continued

INFECTION, Continued:  
DUE TO MOSQUITO BITE

1

UNKNOWN CAUSE

1

TOTAL

38

## MISCELLANEOUS:

BODILY INJURY, CAUGHT UNDER ELEVATOR

1

" " CAUGHT IN ROPE ON OIL WELL WINCH

1

" " DUE TO WATER PRESSURE OF ENEMA

1

" " DUE TO FALL DOWN CANYON WHILE HIKING

1

" " FELL FROM ROOF OF HOUSE

1

" " FELL ON AUTO JACK

1

" " BROKEN BACK, COLLIDED WITH RAIL  
WHILE SKATING

1

" " FRACTURED NECK, DUE TO FALL FROM TREE

1

" " HIT IN CHEST WITH BALL

1

" " PROBABLY A FALL WHILE INTOXICATED

1

" " DOVE INTO POOL OF SHALLOW WATER

1

" " LEG INJURED WHILE BOWLING

1

" " STRUCK BY FALLING BOULDER

1

" " TWISTED HIP CAUSING FRACTURE

1

" " WHETHER ACCIDENTAL OR SUICIDAL  
UNDETERMINED

2

" " UNKNOWN CAUSE

6

CUTTING, FELL AGAINST GLASS IN DOOR

1

EXHAUSTION, WHILE SWIMMING CAUGHT IN RIP TIDE

2

" WHILE SWIMMING

1



MISCELLANEOUS ACCIDENTAL FATALITIESCAUSES, Continued

MISCELLANEOUS, Continued:	
PNEUMONIA, INDUCED BY DRINKING LYE SOLUTION BY MISTAKE	1
SHOCK, DUE TO FALL TO FLOOR OF CAR	1
" EXCESS PENTOTHAL SODIUM ANESTHESIA	1
TETANUS, CUT FOOT STEPPING ON GLASS	1
" UNKNOWN CAUSE	1
TOTAL	<u>1</u>
	<u>31</u>
POISONING:	
ALCOHOLISM	31
ARSENIC, CHILD ATE ANT PASTE	3
ATE FERMENTED SOY BEANS	2
ATE POISONOUS MUSHROOMS (TOADSTOOLS)	1
AUTO EXHAUST, WHETHER ACCIDENTAL OR SUICIDAL UNDETERMINED	1
BARBITURATE, TOOK OVERDOSE FOR ILLNESS	2
" WHETHER ACCIDENTAL OR SUICIDAL UNDETERMINED	2
BENZOL, DUE TO EXPOSURE TO BENZOL SOLVENT	1
BOTULISM, FROM EATING SPOILED BEANS	1
CARBONMONOXIDE, GAS HEATER BURNING IN CLOSED ROOM	15
" ACCIDENTAL OR SUICIDAL UNDETERMINED	1
CHILD DRANK LINIMENT MISTAKEN FOR WATER	1
CHILD DRANK LYE SOLUTION	1

MISCELLANEOUS ACCIDENTAL FATALITIESCAUSES, CONTINUED

POISONING, Continued:	
DRANK CLEANING FLUID IN MISTAKE FOR WINE	1
DUE TO CHILD EATING WEED ERADICATOR	1
EXCESS OF NITROUS OXIDE ANESTHETIC	1
FORMALDEHYDE, WHETHER ACCIDENTAL OR SUICIDAL UNDETERMINED	1
FUMES FROM BURNING GASOLINE	1
INHALATION OF ESCAPING ILLUMINATING GAS	2
METALDEHYDE, CHILD ATE GRASS CONTAINING SNAIL POISON	1
OIL OF CEDARWOOD, TOOK OVERDOSE TO INDUCE ABORTION	1
PHENOBARBITAL, ILL HEALTH	1
"        WHETHER ACCIDENTAL OR SUICIDAL UNDETERMINED	1
SHOCK FROM FOOD POISONING	1
TETRACHLORINE, DRANK POISON MISTAKEN FOR WHISKY	1
TOOK BICHLORIDE OF MERCURY TABLETS IN ERROR	1
TOOK OVERDOSE OF BROMIDE, WHETHER ACCIDENTAL OR SUICIDAL UNDETERMINED	1
TOOK OVERDOSE OF DRUG	1
TOOK OVERDOSE OF "NO-DOZ" TABLETS	1
TOOK PILOCARPINE MISTAKEN FOR MEDICINE	1
VERONAL, OVERDOSE OF SLEEPING TABLETS	1
WHETHER ACCIDENTAL OR SUICIDAL UNDETERMINED	<u>4</u>

TOTAL

85

MISCELLANEOUS ACCIDENTAL FATALITIESCAUSES, CONTINUED

## STRANGULATION:

ASPHYXIA, FOREIGN OBJECT IN BRONCHIA	1
ASPIRATION OF FOOD	2
BABY BECAME ENTANGLED IN SLEEPING BAG CORD	1
CAUGHT IN NOOSE WHILE PLAYING	1
INFANT LYING ON FACE IN CRIB	1
INHALED STOMACH CONTENTS DURING VOMITING SEIZURE	<u>1</u>

TOTAL	<u>7</u>
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## SUFFOCATION:

BABY'S FACE COVERED WITH BEDDING	1
CHILD CAUGHT IN PARTLY CLOSED WINDOW	1
DUE TO PILLOW FALLING OVER CHILD'S FACE	1
FOREIGN BODY LODGED IN THROAT	1
INHALATION OF SMOKE	3
INHALATION OF REGURGITATED MILK, INFANT	1
PROBABLY UNWANTED CHILD	<u>1</u>

TOTAL	<u>9</u>
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GRAND TOTAL	<u>849</u>
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SUICIDES

JULY	1940	52	
AUGUST	1940	79	
SEPTEMBER	1940	74	
OCTOBER	1940	73	
NOVEMBER	1940	55	
DECEMBER	1940	70	
JANUARY	1941	61	
FEBRUARY	1941	56	
MARCH	1941	63	
APRIL	1941	51	
MAY	1941	44	
JUNE	1941	50	
		TOTAL	<u>728</u>

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MALE	511	
FEMALE	<u>217</u>	
	TOTAL	<u>728</u>

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IN CITY OF LOS ANGELES	434	
IN COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, O/S L.A. CITY	292	
UNKNOWN LOCATION	<u>2</u>	
	TOTAL	<u>728</u>

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AGES

10	to	20	Years	8	
20	to	45	Years	284	
45	to	65	Years	311	
65	Years	and Over		124	
Unknown	Age			<u>1</u>	
				TOTAL	<u>728</u>

SUICIDESNATURE

BURNING	5
CRUSHING	1
CUTTING	30
DROVE NEEDLE INTO SKULL	1
DROWNING	19
ELECTROCUTION	1
HEAD INJURY	1
JUMPING FROM AIRPLANE	1
"        "    BRIDGE	5
"        "    BUILDING	30
"    IN FRONT OF TRAIN	1
"        "        "    TRUCK	1
"        "        "    STREET CAR	1
"    UNDER MOVING TRUCK	1
SHOOTING	209
STRANGULATION, HANGING	92
POISONING:	
ANT PASTE	48
ARSENIC	28
BARBITAL	3
BARBITURATE	14
BICHLORINE OF MERCURY	10
CAMPHORATED OIL	1

SUICIDESNATURE, CONTINUED

## POISONING, Continued:

CARBOLIC ACID AND ALCOHOL	1
CARBONDIOXIDE	1
CARBONMONOXIDE - AUTO EXHAUST	101
CHLOROFORM	3
CHLOROFORM AND ARSENIC	1
CYANIDE	26
ETHYL ETHER	1
FLUORIDE	5
ILLUMINATING GAS	30
LUMINAL	1
LYE	2
LYSOL	21
MORPHINE	3
MURIATIC ACID	1
NEMBUTAL	4
NICOTINE (BLACK LEAF 40)	3
PHENOBARBITAL	3
PHOSPHORUS	3
SANI-FLUSH	1
SEDORMID	2
SODIUM FLUORIDE	2
STRYCHNINE	<u>10</u>

TOTAL

728



SUICIDESCAUSES

DESPONDENT OVER BEING AN ALIEN	1
"        "        SEPARATION FROM WIFE	1
DOMESTIC DIFFICULTIES	66
"        AND FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES	1
FEAR OF BEING DEPORTED	1
"        "        DRAFTED	1
"        "        INSANITY	5
"        "        PARALYSIS	1
"        "        PROSECUTION	11
FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES	39
GENERAL DESPONDENCY	3
GRIEF OVER DEATH OF HUSBAND	2
"        "        "        "        WIFE	5
"        "        "        "        BROTHER	1
"        "        "        "        SON	1
"        "        LOSS        "        DAUGHTER	1
ILL HEALTH	255
ILL HEALTH AND OLD AGE	1
INTOXICATION	32
LIGHTED GAS IN GAS-FILLED ROOM	1
LOSS OF POSITION	2

SUICIDESCAUSES

LOVE AFFAIR	10
MARITAL DIFFICULTIES	1
MENTAL CASE, SUICIDE COMPLEX	1
MENTALLY DERANGED	16
SHOT SELF AFTER ATTEMPTING MURDER	1
SHOT SELF AFTER COMMITTING MURDER	4
SHOT SELF AFTER MURDER OF WIFE	5
SUICIDE PACT	4
TEMPORARILY DERANGED	10
TIRED OF LIFE	8
UNEMPLOYMENT	11
UNKNOWN CAUSE	223
WORRY OVER INABILITY TO PLAY FOOTBALL	1
WORRY OVER PARTS STOLEN FROM AUTOMOBILE	1
WORRY OVER WAR CONDITIONS	<u>1</u>

TOTAL

728

HOMICIDES

JULY	1940	9	
AUGUST	1940	12	
SEPTEMBER	1940	10	
OCTOBER	1940	8	
NOVEMBER	1940	7	
DECEMBER	1940	19	
JANUARY	1941	11	
FEBRUARY	1941	13	
MARCH	1941	5	
APRIL	1941	7	
MAY	1941	9	
JUNE	1941	8	
		<u>8</u>	
		TOTAL	<u>118</u>

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MALE	85	
FEMALE	<u>33</u>	
	TOTAL	<u>118</u>

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IN CITY OF LOS ANGELES	92	
IN COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES O/S L.A. CITY	<u>26</u>	
	TOTAL	<u>118</u>

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AGES

Less than 1 Year	3	
10 to 20 Years	5	
20 to 45 Years	74	
45 to 65 Years	28	
65 Years and Over	<u>8</u>	
	TOTAL	<u>118</u>

HOMICIDES  
NATURE

ASPHYXIATION	1	
CUTTING	2	
FIGHTING	10	
HEMORRHAGE	1	
NEGLECT AT BIRTH	1	
SHOOTING	66	
STABBING	17	
STRANGULATION	5	
STRUCK WITH OBJECT	14	
UNKNOWN CAUSE	<u>1</u>	
	TOTAL	<u>118</u>

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JUSTIFIABLE	32	
UNJUSTIFIABLE	85	
JUSTIFIABLE OR UNJUSTIFIABLE UNDETERMINED	<u>1</u>	
	TOTAL	<u>118</u>

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BY KNOWN PERSON	69	
BY UNKNOWN PERSON	19	
BY OFFICER	14	
BY SPECIAL OFFICER	1	
BY HUSBAND	9	
BY WIFE	3	
BY SON	1	
BY BROTHER	<u>2</u>	
	TOTAL	<u>118</u>

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JUSTIFIABLE:		
DURING ATTEMPTED BURGLARY	1	
DURING ARGUMENT	1	
DURING HOLDUP	6	
DURING ROBBERY	1	
RESISTING ARREST	3	
SELF-DEFENSE	13	
STRUCK DURING FIGHT	1	
WHILE MAKING ARREST	<u>6</u>	
	TOTAL	<u>32</u>

HOMICIDES  
CAUSES

UNJUSTIFIABLE:		
AFTER AN ALTERCATION	1	
ATTEMPTING TO FORCE ENTRY INTO BUILDING	1	
DURING A FIGHT	21	
DURING AN ARGUMENT	9	
DOMESTIC DIFFICULTIES	12	
DRUNKEN BRAWL	7	
FANCIED GRIEVANCE	1	
FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES	1	
JEALOUSY	7	
PROBABLY UNWANTED BABY	1	
PROBABLY INTOXICATION	2	
QUARREL OVER GAMBLING	1	
LOVE AFFAIR	3	
ROBBERY	4	
SHOT BY TRAP GUN WHILE STEALING CHICKENS	1	
STRUCK BY UNKNOWN PERSON	2	
SHOT BY HUSBAND WHO THEN COMMITTED SUICIDE	1	
UNTIED SEVERED UMBILICAL CORD AT BIRTH	2	
UNKNOWN CAUSES	<u>8</u>	
	TOTAL	85
JUSTIFIED OR UNJUSTIFIABLE UNDETERMINED:		
QUARREL OVER MONEY	<u>1</u>	
	GRAND TOTAL	<u>118</u>

ABORTIONS

SELF-INDUCED	6	
CRIMINAL BY PHYSICIAN	1	
CRIMINAL BY UNKNOWN PERSON	1	
SELF-INDUCED OR CRIMINAL UNDETERMINED	2	
INCOMPLETE ABORTION	1	
UNKNOWN CAUSE	<u>1</u>	
	TOTAL	<u><u>12</u></u>

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IN CITY OF LOS ANGELES	4	
IN COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, O/S L.A. CITY	4	
UNKNOWN LOCATION	<u>4</u>	
	TOTAL	<u><u>12</u></u>

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MARRIED	6	
DIVORCED	1	
SINGLE	<u>5</u>	
	TOTAL	<u><u>12</u></u>

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AGES

10 to 20 Years	3	
20 to 45 Years	<u>9</u>	
	TOTAL	<u><u>12</u></u>

ALCOHOLISM

MALE	26	
FEMALE	<u>5</u>	
TOTAL		<u>31</u>

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IN CITY OF LOS ANGELES	29	
IN COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, O/S L.A. CITY	<u>2</u>	
TOTAL		<u>31</u>

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AGES

20 to 45 Years	13	
45 to 65 Years	14	
65 Years and Over	<u>4</u>	
TOTAL		<u>31</u>

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UNKNOWN CAUSES

MALE	1	
FEMALE	<u>3</u>	
TOTAL		<u>4</u>

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IN CITY OF LOS ANGELES	2	
IN COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, O/S L.A. CITY	<u>2</u>	
TOTAL		<u>4</u>

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AGES

10 to 20 Years	1	
20 to 45 Years	2	
65 Years and Over	<u>1</u>	
TOTAL		<u>4</u>

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AFTER PATHOLOGICAL AND TOXICOLOGICAL EXAM.	1	
AFTER TOXICOLOGICAL EXAMINATION	1	
ADVANCED POST MORTEM DEGENERATION	1	
ADVANCED DECOMPOSITION	<u>1</u>	
TOTAL		<u>4</u>



AIRPLANE FATALITIES

JULY	1940	0	
AUGUST	1940	0	
SEPTEMBER	1940	3	
OCTOBER	1940	0	
NOVEMBER	1940	3	
DECEMBER	1940	1	
JANUARY	1941	1	
FEBRUARY	1941	0	
MARCH	1941	2	
APRIL	1941	2	
MAY	1941	0	
JUNE	1941	2	
		TOTAL	<u>14</u>

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MALE	13	
FEMALE	<u>1</u>	
	TOTAL	<u>14</u>

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IN CITY OF LOS ANGELES	3	
IN COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, O/S L.A. CITY	9	
O/S LOS ANGELES COUNTY, DEATH IN L.A. COUNTY	<u>2</u>	
	TOTAL	<u>14</u>

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PILOTS	8	
PASSENGERS	<u>5</u>	
STUDENT	<u>1</u>	
	TOTAL	<u>14</u>

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AGES

10	to	20	Years	1	
20	to	45	Years	<u>13</u>	
				TOTAL	<u>14</u>

AIRPLANE FATALITIES, CONTINUEDCAUSES

OUT OF CONTROL	3	
TAILSPIN	5	
PLANE STALLED	1	
UNABLE TO COME OUT OF POWER DIVE	2	
UNKNOWN CAUSES	<u>3</u>	
	TOTAL	<u>14</u>

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TYPE OF PLANE

PLEASURE	11	
COMMERCIAL	1	
ARMY	1	
GLIDER	<u>1</u>	
	TOTAL	<u>14</u>

INQUESTS

		<u>CORONER'S INQUEST ROOM</u>	<u>L.A. CITY AND COUNTY OUTSIDE INQUEST ROOM</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
JULY	1940	54	40	94
AUGUST	1940	52	31	83
SEPTEMBER	1940	55	43	98
OCTOBER	1940	57	45	102
NOVEMBER	1940	56	40	96
DECEMBER	1940	79	66	145
JANUARY	1941	63	47	110
FEBRUARY	1941	57	39	96
MARCH	1941	57	38	95
APRIL	1941	54	50	104
MAY	1941	51	47	98
JUNE	1941	48	51	99
TOTAL		683	537	1220

AUTOPSIES

		<u>CORONER'S MORTUARY</u>	<u>L.A. CITY &amp; COUNTY OUTSIDE MORTUARY</u>	<u>GENERAL HOSPITAL</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
JULY	1940	223	236	12	471
AUGUST	1940	231	263	5	499
SEPTEMBER	1940	291	187	6	484
OCTOBER	1940	259	267	5	531
NOVEMBER	1940	234	282	7	523
DECEMBER	1940	292	334	5	631
JANUARY	1941	308	296	5	609
FEBRUARY	1941	222	266	8	496
MARCH	1941	295	303	6	604
APRIL	1941	295	299	2	596
MAY	1941	242	276	5	523
JUNE	1941	247	227	6	480
TOTAL		3139	3236	72	6447

MISCELLANEOUS DATA

NUMBER OF CHILDREN EMBALMED (UNDER 14 YRS., NO FEE)	137
NUMBER OF BODIES ASSIGNED TO COUNTY WELFARE, NO FEES	349
NUMBER OF EMBALMING EXEMPTIONS FOR INDIGENT PERSONS UNDER PENAL CODE SEC. 4300h, NO FEES	<u>117</u>
TOTAL NUMBER EMBALMED AT CORONER'S MORTUARY FOR WHICH NO FEES WERE COLLECTED	603
TOTAL NUMBER BODIES EMBALMED, FEES COLLECTED	<u>2,382</u>
TOTAL NUMBER OF BODIES EMBALMED AT CORONER'S MORTUARY	2,985
NUMBER EMBALMED BY UNDERTAKERS BEFORE DELIVERY TO CORONER'S MORTUARY	295
NUMBER OF BODIES NOT EMBALMED	<u>1</u>
TOTAL NUMBER OF BODIES HANDLED AT CORONER'S MORTUARY	3,281
NUMBER OF CORONER'S CASES HANDLED BY L.A. CITY AND COUNTY UNDERTAKERS O/S CORONER'S MORTUARY	<u>3,325</u>
TOTAL NUMBER OF CASES HANDLED BY COUNTY CORONER, JULY 1, 1940 to JUNE 30, 1941, INC.	<u>6,606</u>
NUMBER OF INVESTIGATIONS, NO AUTOPSY	159
MILES TRAVELED TO CONDUCT INQUESTS AND INVESTIGATIONS	14,141
MILES TRAVELED BY SURGEONS TO PERFORM AUTOPSIES AND TO APPEAR AS WITNESSES	42,249
MILES TRAVELED BY AMBULANCES TO TRANSPORT BODIES	12,879
NUMBER OF TRANSCRIPTS SOLD	629
NUMBER OF TRANSCRIPTS FILED WITH COUNTY CLERK	1,220
" " " FURNISHED GOVERNMENT AGENCIES, NO FEE	20
NUMBER OF TRANSCRIPTS DELIVERED TO DISTRICT ATTORNEY	1,220
TOTAL NUMBER OF TRANSCRIPTS PREPARED	4,309
NUMBER OF PAGES OF TESTIMONY WRITTEN	13,699
NUMBER OF VERDICTS OF CORONER AND AUTOPSY FINDINGS	5,227
NUMBER OF VERDICTS OF JURIES	1,220
NUMBER OF JURORS SUMMONED TO SERVE ON CORONER'S INQUESTS	10,980
NUMBER OF WITNESSES SUBPOINED TO TESTIFY AT INQUESTS	7,320
NUMBER OF ESTATES DELIVERED TO PUBLIC ADMINISTRATOR	132

SUMMARY OF SCIENTIFIC TESTS

NUMBER OF MICROSCOPIC EXAMINATIONS	575
" " BACTERIOLOGICAL EXAMINATIONS	25
" " BLOOD TESTS FOR CARBON MONOXIDE	37
" " CROSS SPECIMENS PREPARED FOR EVIDENCE	15
" " CASES HANDLED BY PATHOLOGICAL LABORATORY	313
" " CHEMICAL TESTS FOR SUGAR	2
" " " " " CYANIDE	5
" " " " " STRYCHNINE	1
" " CASES SUBMITTED TO CHEMICAL LABORATORY	768
" " CHEMICAL TESTS NECESSARY FOR ABOVE CASES	1,774

EXPENDITURESFISCAL YEAR 1940-41

	<u>APPROPRIATION</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>
SALARIES AND WAGES	\$109,043.00	\$108,162.64
MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION	18,405.00	16,844.44
CAPITAL OUTLAY	<u>1,905.00</u>	<u>1,440.06</u>
TOTAL	\$129,353.00	\$126,447.14

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REVENUES COLLECTEDFISCAL YEAR 1940-41

ENBALMING FEES	\$35,535.00
PREPARATION FEES	395.35
EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT	9.68
SALE OF TRANSCRIPTS	2,304.00
SHERIFF'S FEES	32.75
WITNESS FEES	<u>97.34</u>
TOTAL	\$38,374.12